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**Request For Reconsideration**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and in response to the Office Action mailed on December 31, 2002, in which the Examiner **finally rejected** claims 1-26, the following remarks are submitted for consideration.

**Remarks**

Claims 13-29 are currently pending and are under consideration.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

**Request to Withdraw Final Rejection**

Before addressing the Examiner's rejections, Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the Finality of the Office Action dated December 31, 2002.

37 CFR § 1.104 (b) and MPEP 7.07 requires that the Examiner's Office Action be complete. 37 CFR § 1.104 (b) states:

"37 CFR § 1.104 (b) *Completeness of examiner's action.* The examiner's action will be complete as to all matters, except that in appropriate circumstances, such as misjoinder of invention,